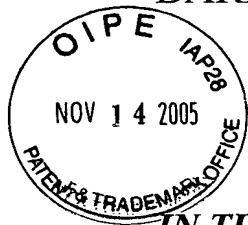


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 6, 2005, Applicants request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks. Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to file this response, extending the due date for response to December 6, 2005. Our check for a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) accompanies this response. Applicants believe that no fees are required with this response. If fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby

authorized to charge the same to the account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter 7475-69889.